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Lisa Stone "K" Line America, Inc. 8730 Stony Point Parkway, Suite 300 Richmond, VA 23235

Dear Ms. Stone:

This is in response to your letter dated January 8, 2004, regarding the requirement to indicate the number and type of packages on shipping papers in accordance with the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180). Specifically you ask whether you may describe your intermediate bulk container as "Super Sack" on a shipping paper.

The answer is yes. Section 172.202(a)(6) specifies that the number and type of packages must be indicated. The type of packages may be indicated by the description and by packaging specification number when applicable.

I hope this satisfies your request.

Sincerely

John A. Gale, Chief Standards Development

Office of Hazardous Materials Standards

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## **INFOCNTR**

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It would be greatly appreciated if a letter of interpretation could be sent to clarify the following issue:

Would the phrase "Super Sack" be an acceptable package description on a shipping paper since "Super Sack" it is not decribed specifically in IMDG Amendment 31, Part 4, nor 49CFR - Part 178? Or would the description be more appropriate as Flexible IBC or IBC08?

UN specifications: 13H1

Thank you for your clarification in this matter.

Best Regards
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